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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SECURING  
HORIZONTALLY LOADED  
CARGO UNITS TO A VESSEL

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In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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